

House Resolution No. 1780

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state, particularly its institutions of learning; and

Whereas, the members are pleased and proud to pause to recognize the Branson School District, a K-12 district, which recently earned the state's prestigious "Distinction in Performance" award for academic progress and achievement during the last school year (2006-07) from the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education; and

Whereas, the Distinction in Performance award is based on the fourteen academic performance standards that are now used in the accreditation of all public school districts, and K-8 school districts are covered by a portion of these standards, standards based on scores from the state-mandated MAP tests, graduation rate, attendance, ACT scores, and other indicators; and

Whereas, to qualify for the award this year, K-8 districts had to meet six of seven performance standards, including all of those based on the results of MAP tests, and K-12 districts had to meet thirteen out of fourteen standards, including all of the MAP-based measures; and

Whereas, under the state's accreditation process, known as the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP), each school district is evaluated at least once every five years, and the Distinction in Performance award is based on the same criteria used in the accreditation process, but it provides an annual confirmation and recognition of a district's consistent performance:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our most sincere congratulations and admiration to the Branson School District on this illustrious occasion; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the Branson School District.

Offered by _____
Representative Dennis Wood
District No. 62

Representative Maynard Wallace
District No. 143

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 1780, adopted April 14, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker